and Gambling' which is a State subject under Schedule VII to the Constitution.

(d) and (e) There is no such proposal under consideration.

विरोध प्रकट करती हुई एक महिला का गला दबाने वाले एक अधिकारी के खिलाफ कार्यवाही

989. **श्री मोहम्मद अफजल उर्फ मीम मीम अफजल** : क्या गृह मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे :

(क) क्या सरकार का ध्यान 16 अप्रैल 1992 के "स्टेटसमैन" नई दिल्ली में छपी उस फोटो की ओर दिलाया गया है जिसमें एक पुरुष अधिकारी को लिबिया पर लगाई गई पाबंदियों का विरोध प्रकट करती हुई एक महिला का गला दबाते हुए दर्शाया गया है, और

(ख) यदि हां, तो सरकार ने इस अधिकारी के खिलाफ क्या कार्यवाही की है ?

संसदीय कार्य मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री और गृह मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री एम० एम० जैकब) : (क) जी हां, श्रीमान ।

(ख) संबंधित पुलिस अधिकारी के खिलाफ जांच का आदेश दिया गया है ।

Recruitment of Persons belonging to Minorities in Anti-Riot Force

990. SHRI MOHAMMED AFZAL *Alias* MEEM AFZAL : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 286 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 26th February, 1992 and state whether the persons belong to minorities would be given periority for recruiment in Anti-Riot Force ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB): The Constitution of India does not permit any discrimination on the basis of religion in matters of employment or recruitment. Therefore, no priority is envisaged for any particular community in recruitment for the Rapid Action Force.

Suicide Cases in the Country

991. MISS SAROJ KHAPARDE : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) the number of suicide cases which were reported during the last three years till date State/Union Terriotory-wise;

(b) whether the National Crime Records Bureau has recently released a report on suicide cases and accidental deaths in the country;

(c) if so, what are the details thereof;

(d) whether it is a fact that the highest number of suicide case are between the age group 18—30 years, as per the recent studies in this regard;

(e) if so, what are the details thereof;

(f) whether Government have any plan/proposal to tackle the problem of suicides in the country; and

(g) if so, what are the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB): (a) Available information regarding the number of reported suicide cases during the years 1988, 1989 and 1990 is enclosed in Statement-I. (The data for 1991 is not yet available) (*See* below).

(b) and (c) The National Crime Records Bureau has recently released annual report on 'Accidental deaths and suicides in India 1988'.

The report covers the topics relating to incidence and volume of suicides in India during the last decade (1978—88), as also incidence and volume of suicides in States and Union Territories and 12 Metropolitan Cities during 1988.

(d) and (e) The percentage distribution of suicides by various age groups during 1985